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### **Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:**

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

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In re application of: SIMPSON et al.	)
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Filing Date: April 22, 2004	) Examiner: N/A
For: "PET LITTER PAN ENCLOSURE"	) )

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Respectfully submitted,

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